

II. REMARKS

A. Status of the Claims

Claims 1-13 were pending at the time of issuance of the Restriction Requirement. Claims 3-5 and 9-13 have been withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

B. Response to Restriction Requirement

In response to the restriction requirement which the Examiner imposed, Applicants elect, without traverse, to prosecute claims 1-2 and 6-8, *i.e.*, the Group I claims. As set forth above, claims 3-5 and 9-13 have been withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 512-536-5639 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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